GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES
LOK SABHA

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Will the Minister of SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Small Scale Industries (SSI) in the country areaffected most due to the agreements signed under World Trade Organisation (WTO) as per the Small Industries Development Bank of India Report, 2001;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) the details of remedial steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF SMALL SCALE INDUSTRIES, MINISTER OI IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PERSONNEL AND TRAINING,DEPARTMENT OF PENSIONS AND PENSIONERS` WELFA THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL,PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS, MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY PLANNING AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF ATOMIC ENERGY AND SPACE (SMT. VASUNDHARA RAJE)

(a) & (b): Yes. While it can expose SSIs to greater competition, on the positive side, it enables them to procure raw material, technology & other imports in an easier way & on cheaper prices besides opening up opportunities for export.

(c): The Government has taken various steps for marketing, technology upgradation, credit, quality improvement, etc of SSI units. The Government has taken various remedial steps and the package of measures provides fiscal incentives, for easier access to credit, marketing support, availability of collateral free composite loan upto Rs. 25 lakhs, capital subsidy for technological upgradation and improved infrastructure.